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August 11, 2014

Mr. Jared Blumenfeld Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

In response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) initiative to speed action on revisions to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP), staff from U.S. EPA and the Air Resources Board (ARB) have been working together with the staffs of California's air districts to prioritize items for U.S. EPA action and identify submittals no longer appropriate for inclusion in the SIP.

The Imperial County, Placer County, Shasta County, North Coast, Santa Barbara County, Ventura County, and El Dorado County air districts have determined that a number of their local rules no longer need to be included in the SIP. Additionally, the Santa Barbara County air district has determined that its 8-hour ozone 110(a) maintenance plan no longer needs to be included in the SIP. These districts have requested that ARB withdraw the rules and plan from the California SIP via the following letters (copies enclosed):

- June 24, 2014 letter from Brad Poiriez, Imperial County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division:
- July 7, 2014 letter from Thomas J. Christofk, Placer County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division:
- July 8, 2014 letter from Richard W. Simon, Shasta County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division:
- July 15, 2014 letter from Rick Martin, North Coast Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division;
- July 15, 2014 letter from Louis D. Van Mullem, Jr., Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division:

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: http://www.arb.ca.gov.

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- July 23, 2014 letter from Michael Villegas, Ventura County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division; and
- July 29, 2014 letter from Dave Johnston, El Dorado County Air Pollution Control Officer to Kurt Karperos, Chief of the ARB Air Quality Planning and Science Division.

For convenience, we have compiled into a single table (enclosed Table 1) a list of the rules that ARB is withdrawing from the SIP at the request of the air districts. Enclosed Table 2 lists the 8-hour ozone maintenance plan that ARB is withdrawing from the SIP at the request of the Santa Barbara County air district.

Additionally, we have determined that ARB's Test Methods and Certification Procedures are already incorporated into the SIP by reference through the control measures that rely on them. On March 10, 2014 and May 29, 2014, we withdrew a number of these methods and procedures. We have identified one additional test method, listed in Table 3, that is appropriate for withdrawal, and we are now withdrawing this method from the SIP as a separate element.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division at (916) 322-5350, or via email at kkarpero@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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